#### GEN. O. O. HOWARD'S REMINISCENCES.

[Continued from 1st page.] and probably deployed his columns to retali-

ste. So this assault failed.

SUCCESS AT LAST. Next, Cox tried Sturges' division. The 6th New Hampshire and the 2d Maryland were each put into column. They charged, but found the terrible fire more than they could meet. After several futile attempts these regiments, too, gave up the job. The 51st New York and the 51st Pennsylvania were next tried. They were aided by a battery of ours, which, with shells, smoke, and noise occupied the attention of the troublesome defenders at the time of the rush. At last our men-or a part of them, for many had fallen-were over. Then the troops of Sturges and Crook crossed as fast as possible, and, driving Toombs back, formed with speed on the other bank. Roddaring work was done, but it had taken nearly sachusetts, 7th Michigan and 42d New York. four hours to accomplish it, so that it was already 1 o'clock. The fighting all along our from Harper's Ferry, was not far off. He was within four miles of Sharpsburg.

delay. The desperate firing before and after havoc into the advancing Confederate line. getting across had exhausted the ammunition of the leading division, so Burnside took Wilcox over to make replacement. It consumed another precious hour. Confederate D. R. Jones was pouring his rifle-shots upon our men; Confederate batteries were playing upon Burnside's forming and charging lines, and it was, indeed, a difficult, poky task, in such case, to organize lines for the advance.

CHECKMATE.

Wilcox, followed by Crook, made at once for the town. These commanders carried the enemy's line before them; but Rodman, having Ewing's and Scammon's divisions, was success fully delayed by the re-enforcements recently sent from Lee's left to Toombs, thus extending and re-enforcing his right. Sturges seized a Confederate battery and went on quite through the village. Rodman's delay, of course, created a separation and weakness, for, just at this juncture, A. P. Hill advanced with his batteslain, and his troops were broken back in dis- not performed the part assigned him. order. Our lines were reformed, however, taken and held.

when it broke in pieces D. R. Jones' division, | we have done?" quered, though we had gone into action by the fight in the morning and he hasn't fired a army was whipped before Buell came up at 4 piecemeal, feeding Stonewall Jackson's open gun to-day. maw just as fast and no faster than he was able to take us in; for, by changing position, with their shorter lines, the Confederate officers could always bring to bear against us, sometimes greater numbers, and never far below an equal number. Thus it was against Hooker after he was worn out; then against Mansfield; then in succession against Sedgwick, French, Franklin, Richardson and Pleasonton, with his central batteries, and, finally, Burnside, fighting by himself, without re-enforcement or

Lee's generalship at Antietam was certainly superb. That of our generals, after we reached the Antietam, whatever be the cause, was cer- Pryor." tainly not the best. The plans were good, but the tactical execution bad enough.

The right column should have been on the spot where its work was to begin and in hand; then could Sumner, first seizing the heights near the Potomac where Stuart was, have accomplished the express purpose of his heart-to have driven everything before him through the town of Sharpsburg on to Burnside's front. Burnside's vigorous move should have been, as was intended, simultaneous with the at-

tack by the right column. withdrew, after a delay of one day, and recrossed the Potomac. Porter's command, following over too closely, lost quite heavily at Sharpsburg Ford, so that every part of our army - unless it be Couch's division, which arrived after the battle was substantially fin- be given as a picture. ished and was only under artillery fire-suf-

fered great losses in this singular battle. Now, my comrades, while we study the faults of so many brave men for avoidance of them in | Petitt's battery opens with shells and the stillthe future, let us not too much blame them. There were often cogent reasons, hindrances and drawbacks existing at the time, which, twenty years after, we cannot remember. And oh, how many, many true men whom we deem faulty did their best and are now in their graves! So, shall we not cover them lovingly with the other-and the men drop from Richardson's followed a moment later by a second. I said in flowers of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, and say farewall to Antietam?

[To be continued.]

The 13th Illinois and its Old Missouri Camp-Grounds.

To the Editor NATIONAL TELEUNE: In December last I paid a visit to our old camp-grounds in Missouri. At Springfield I forced to leave the field. The bone is shattered visited the old camp and viewed the landmarks and the surgeon says it must come off. as they looked years gone by when, in 1861-'62, we were marched to and fro. I saw the old church (without a floor) where we boiled our kettle as it was swung on a stick over the fire, and the orchard where we first camped. The ground was then covered with good ripe They flee in confusion. Sickles is advancing The lines were hastily formed and moved to apples, and we almost lived on them for several days. I saw the hole in the jamb of the door at the old Southern Hotel where the cannon hall entered. But the place is all changed now, and a city of ten or twelve thousand inhabitants has sprung up. A fine monument to the memory of General Lyon stands in the center | the bloody field. It is like the swinging of a | the Army of the Tennessee on those dreadful of the public square. While on the cars I saw | wide gate, with its hinges near Fair Oaks, and | days. Our division charged and recharged five and I many times crossed the old wagon-road along which our weary feet had so often marked time in the march between Rolla and Springfield, that I could not refrain, even at this selves to the skin and forded that swift-run- No troops oppose them. ning river, even when it was shoulder deep, and in the dead of winter, too. As the train ap proached Rolls we came to the camp a mile west of the town-the camp that we all felt so sorry to make, because we wanted to go back to our old ground that we had grubbed and worked so hard to make the best anywhere around Rolla, but which other soldiers were destined to occupy, while we had to be satisfied with a new camp. Our old camp-ground now is occupied by fine houses, some of them even palatial in appearance. I took in this part of the city and fixed in my mind where our tent had stood and mess No. I used to live. I found at Rolla s few of the old settlers who were here in those trying times. Mr. Robert A. Lovenow a merchant carrying on a large business in general merchandizing-was then a tinner, and had a small tin-shop, where Fred Fox and I made a small sheet-iron stove. He gave us his tools and we bought the material. There are others there, as I am told, but I had no time to look them up. The town is quite a business place now, and has about two thousand inhabitants. The old place as it was is what most interested and the thud of our guns as the "order arms" | into the city. was given. But I must stop, for memory carries of Vicksburg, where our brave Col. Wyman was | went by, never again to return to him. killed, and our Jimmy McCullum was taken prisoner, and we lost our colors. C. C. WILSON,

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### SAVING THE NATION.

GENERAL SUMNER.

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been pushed back a mile and a half. A great | very much astonished. crowd of Union stragglers is moving towards Bottom's bridge. Smith is moving down along I., writes: the railroad to join Longstreet and Hill, and by one last charge the two corps south of the

Chickahominy will be driven into that stream. But now another actor comes upon the scene. destroyed, but when the water began to rise, General Sumner sent out men with ropes to make one of them secure. It was 1 o'clock when he ordered his troops under arms. They have been all the afternoon getting across the river, the troops wading up to their waists to get to the bridge. He had hard work to get Kirby's battery across, but here he is, with Sedgwick's division in advance. Gorman's man, after being misled for awhile by ignorant | brigade leads, composed of the 1st Minnesota, guides, at last found his ford and came up the 15th Massachusetts, 2d and 34th New York. right bank of the Antietam as ordered. The Dana's brigade follows-the 19th and 20th Mas-Summer forms his line facing south towards Fair Oaks, which compels Smith to change front. Smith advances across a field to drive line northward was already over, and further, their new force back into the river. The sun A. P. Hill, with his large division en route has gone down. Twilight is stealing on when the first lines of flame burst forth.

"Give them canister," is Kirby's order to Again, as if to favor Lee, there was a further his gunners, and the six Napoleon guns send The battle cloud grows thick and heavy. Quick flashes light up the darkness. Brady's battery crosses the river and comes into position and opens fire.

"Advance and charge bayonets!" Sumner gives the order, and the 34th and 42d New York, 15th and 12th Massachusetts and 7th Michigan move forward. There are two fences in front of them, and behind the fartherest stand the Confederates. With a hurran the soldiers rush forward, dash the first fence to the ground and charge upon the second. A volley, a tramping of feet, and the Confederates are swept back in utter confusion.

JOHNSTON WOUNDED. Johnston is trying to rally his fleeing men, when he is struck by a piece of shell. He is borne from the field, and Smith succeeds to the command. It is 9 o'clock, and the battle for the day is over.

Jefferson Davis and Mr. Mallory, secretary ries, and his strong force deployed and drove of the Confederate navy, have been upon the back our advance rapidly, recapturing the Confederate battery just taken. Rodman's won thus far a victory, but the Union army wing was also doubly checked. Soon he him- has not been swept into the Chickahominy. self-one of our best New England men-was Jefferson Davis is disappointed. Huger has "As I rode down through the field," says a nearer the river, and a strong position then rebel officer, "I met Franks, one of Long- would bring forth, nor had the least thought street's aids, looking as blue as indigo. What | that the rebels were within miles of us. It is

re-enforced by Lee as it already was; so that, bad Burnside been even one hour sooner, a Longstreet, and all the rest of them are as great disaster would have befailen General mad as thunder. Huger's slowness has spoiled learned a lesson at Pittsburg Landing, but their Lee's army. As it was, we had really con- everything. He had positive orders to begin knowledge cost the soldiers dearly. The rebel

Huger was not an officer of much energy, but he had been making a long, hard march through the mud and his men were tired out, as he rode about giving orders and smoking Had he been in position and attacked vigor- his cigar. I will only say that it is always best ously things might have gone badly for the to have a river at your back when you expe-Union army.

SUNDAY MORNING. At daybreak on Sunday morning an orderly belonging to the rebel army rode out of the

woods into the Union lines. "Where is General Anderson?" he asked. "He is here. What do you want of him?"

"I have a dispatch for him from General "I will take it. Soldiers, guard this man. You are my prisoner." The orderly was much astonished to find himself a prisoner. The dispatch gave infor-

mation of the disposition of the Confederate forces for the battle soon to recommence. During the night the balance of Sumner's corps had crossed the Chickahominy, and at daybreak the troops thus strengthened were then reduced square, and formed in line of able to renew the battle. Sedgwick remained where he fought on Saturday. Richardson's division was next on his right. He formed in Yet, after all our scolding, we did have a two lines, with French's brigade in front on victory, though not a decisive one. For Lee | the railroad and Howard and Meagher in the second line in his rear. Kearney, Couch and Hooker, with the remnants of Casey's division,

were in the vicinity of Seven Pines. It would require many pages to give in detail the fight of Sunday morning. It must | from Orion, Ill.:

Confederates are discovered south of the railroad in the woods in front of Richardson. There is a gap between Richardson and Kear-

reaching past Seven Pines to the swamp. late date, from pitying myself, and, when I Richmond. Hats, caps, blankets, knapsacks, from a most disastrous defeat." crossed the raging Gasconade River, could not | guns-all are thrown aside. The road is filled help recalling the many times the boys of the | with the fleeing fugitives. Heintzelman and old 13th litinois infantry had stripped them- Sumner press on within four miles of the city.

AN OPPORTUNITY LOST. "I have no doubt but we might have gone right into Richmond," says General Heintzel-

"I think that if the army had pressed after

"They (the Federals) missed an opportunity of striking a decisive blow. These opportunities never return," writes Prince de Joinville, of France. General McClellan recalled the troops from

their pursuit and established his lines as they were on the morning of Saturday. The loss on the Union side was 5.737. The Confederate loss, as reported in Smith's, Longstreet's and Hill's divisions, was 6,783. Whiting's division also suffered severely, so that the entire Confederate loss was nearly 8,000.

IN RICHMOND. There was consternation in Richmond. The city was full of stragglers. Long lines of ambulances came in filled with wounded. People me, and I felt that I could still see the column were hastening to the cars, expecting that ere wounded were Captain Williams and Lieutenmarching by and hear the call for dress parade, long the Union soldiers would be marching

ant Vail, brave and true men, who were at the General McClellan had two corps north of me back to the last march, when we left Rolla; the Chickahominy, which he might have and over the road again to Springfield, and on swung down upon the city, while the victorito Pea Ridge, through Missouri, into Arkansas, ous corps which had driven back the Confedand on to Helena on the Mississippi River; erates pressed on, but he had no plan except to then to our first charge on the hills at the rear besiege the city, and the great opportunity

[To be continued.] Powers & Weightman, of Philadelphia, have leased Bouchronger's fully equipped quinine factory in Manheim, in the Grand Duchy of Baden, Germany, where they will manufac-

A clergyman, after suffering a number of years from that loathsome disease, Catarrh, after trying every known remedy without success, at last found a prescription which com-pletely cured and saved him from death. Any

### THE SHILOH CAMPAIGN.

[Continued from 1st page. camp was not "surprised" by the sudden rattle It is almost sunset. Casey and Couch have of musketry in their front, the soldiers were

Comrade J. Fairbanks, company I, 72d O. V.

"Colonel Buckland, in command of our brigade, on Thursday before the fight was out with the brigade on a reconnaissance, and two companies of the 72d O. V. I. (Buckland's regiment) exchanged shots with the enemy. Or Johnston thought that the bridges were all | Friday Major Crockett, of the 72d, had that regiment out on drill in advance of our camp, when the rebel cavalry attacked our pickets, when the major, taking the regiment, started to their support without waiting for orders. Before reaching the point of attack, he de-tached companies B and H from the right of the regiment and sent them out on a diagonal road to intercept the rebels, while the rest of the regiment kept on to the picket-line, where we found the rebels had captured a lieutenant and seven men, and had left. The regiment was there halted and we were soon joined by Colonel Buckland. The major rode out on the Corinth road to reconnoiter, and ran into the rebel line and was captured, and companies B and H soon came up with the rebels and a smart engagement ensued, when the colonel ordered out companies A, D, and I to their support. We met company H retreating, carrying their wounded and having had two or three captured; company B was nearly surrounded, but was still fighting and holding their ground when the three companies arrived to their relief. We soon made the rebels get out of that, and, with Buckland at our head, was following them up, when a squad of our cavalry came up and passed us, but did not go but a little ways before the rebels opened on them with both musketry and artillery, when they came back faster than they went out, and Colonel Buckland thought we had gone far enough and fell back, carrying three of the rebels (who were mortally wounded) with us on blankets. I understand that our Colonel Buckland got a lecture from General Sherman for going out without orders, but he was one of those officers that was not afraid to help his men, and did not wait for orders. Major Crockett was not killed, but was captured, and rejoined the regiment some time in November following, being promoted to the command of the regiment; Buckland being promoted to brigadier-general, our lieutenant-colonel (H. Canfield) being mortally wounded, on Sunday morning, in the fight at Pittsburg Landing."

Comrade Israel Tyson, company K, 14th Iowa, writing from New York city, says: "Some few may have known of the enemy's presence in our front on the early morning of April 6, but I think the majority of the army never dreamed on Saturday what the morrow Barnside's right had produced awful havoc | is the matter; are you not satisfied with what | my opinion that things would have been different had General Grant been on hand in the morning, as there seemed to be no head until he came up. Both he and Sherman, I think, o'clock. I noticed General Grant seemed to be taking things very coolly, not knowing who was to blame for the surprise in the morning, rience a suprise such as that was."

Comrade Henry Reinoehl, sergeant of company E, 55th Illinois V. V. I., writing from

Waterloo, Iowa, says: "As to being surprised at company inspection, I wish to say that we had not failen into line for inspection, as I was made to say in a former letter. We did not fall in line until the long roll beat, and then we were marched 100 or 200 yards to the left of our camp-ground and formed in line of battle. From there we marched 500 yards, or perhaps a little more, and formed in line of battle again. We had not been there very long before we saw the enemy's cavalry riding towards us, and we formed a hollow square on a double-quick. The Johnnies came within three or four rods of us, we countermarched by file right, and battle. During all this time we had not fired a shot. Neither had the rebels, except a few shells which were thrown over us, and which burst quite a distance in our rear. It was after we had formed this last line of battle that the ball opened."

Comrade A. R. Morgan, company F, 8th Illinois infantry, expresses his opinion in a letter

"For one, I have never had any doubts that It began at 5 o'clock. At that hour the the Army of the Tennessee was completely surprised at Shiloh. Let me speak of what I know. I was a member of company F, 8th Illinois volunteer infantry. We were in the berations rolling along the Chickahominy. Clernand. Early on Sabbath morning, April 6th, I was walking out on our parade ground ney. Richardson moves toward Seven Pines (I should fix the time earlier than most of the to close it. From the woods where Petitt drops | accounts I have seen); the first volley of mushis shells there comes a volley-another-an- ketry was heard to our left and in front; this was ranks. The Confederates advance and attack | answer to the question: 'I do not know what French's brigade at short range. For an hour | that means, unless it be the pickets firing their the men stand in their places and deliver their | muskets in volley on returning to camp.' The fire upon the columns which are pushed against | answer was hardly given, ere the first artillery them. Re-enforcements come up from Long- piece of the morning, that seemed loud enough street's reserves. Howard is brought up from | to wake the dead, sent its deadly missile whistthe second line to meet them. His horse is ling through the air over our heads, bursting a shot, he wounded in the right arm, and is | few rods to the rear. That silenced all further questionings. I ran to the tent of the major commanding the regiment, thence to the tent But the onset of his brigade is magnificent. of the drum-major, both of whom were yet in The Confederate line is broken by the resistless | bed. By the time they were on their feet an charge. Hooker comes up the railroad and orderly came flying through the brigade, shout- U. S. Army Clothing in perfect order makes falls like a thunderbolt upon the enemy in | ing at the top of his voice 'Fall in! Fall in! front, breaking, dividing and scattering them. The wildest confusion for a time prevailed. along the Williamsburg road. Berry and the front. That is the manner in which we Jameson are moving over the ground of Satur- | were prepared to receive the armies of Johnday between the Seven Pines and White Oak | ston and Beauregard. If those in command Swamp. Richardson and Sedgwich are also in were aware of their approach the more shame motion. From Fair Oaks to the swamp south | to them. Men were never truer to the old flag of Seven Pines the Union line advances over | nor fought with greater desperation than did times on that first day over the field till you It is a triumphant march. The Confederates | could walk above ground by stepping on the have failed in what they attempted and are dead. It was the heroic bravery and unfalterfleeing with broken, demoralized ranks to ing loyalty of our army that saved the country

Comrade L. C. De Candress, of company K. 16th Wisconsin, "doesn't take any stock in the surprise theory." He writes as follows from Pawnee City, Neb.:

"Our regiment was in the 1st brigade (Colo-

nel Peabody's) of the 6th division (General Prentiss'), and was stationed to the right and rear of the field where Prentiss' division had the enemy with great vigor we should have the review on Saturday, April 5th. We occugone to Richmond," is the opinion of General | pied a position in the extreme front of the line, and were among the first engaged; but I do not take any stock in the surprise theory, as we had time to form on our color-line and march to the front of the field, where I think we staid fifteen or twenty minutes waiting for the Johnnies. While on review on Saturday we saw several Johnnies at a distance, and the impression in our regiment was that we were upon the eve of a battle. We received, I think, forty rounds of ammunition on that evening. I remember that E. J. Valentine, of our company, had the impression that he would not survive the coming battle, and said as much to me and others. He was a splendid fellow and a good soldier, but he received his death wound at Shiloh, and died at Savannah three or four days later. We lost some eight or ten killed and fifteen or more wounded. Among the

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front during the battle."

Letting Down the Bars. [From the Arkansaw Traveller.] Two old negroes become acquainted in a way that shames formality. Meeting for the first time, they look at each other Then one remarks so the other can hear him: "Doan' belebe I knows that man, but his face is mighty 'milliar." Then the other one says: "Seed dat man somewhere, but kain't place him. Howdy do, generman?" Porely; how is it wid yeese'f?" Porely, thank yer. Whar does yer lib?" "On ture quinine. In the meantime they will proceed to rebuild their Philadelphia factory, recently destroyed by fire.

Toreiy, thank yer. Whar does yer lib?" "On der Pryor place. Whar does yer's zide?" "On the Avery place. How's all yer folks?" "Porely, thank yer; how's all wid yesse'f?" der Pryor place. Whar does yers'f 'zide?" "On "Porely, thank yer; how's all wid yesse'f?"
"Poorly, 'bledged ter yer. After this they are old acquaintances and never fail to greet each other as friends.

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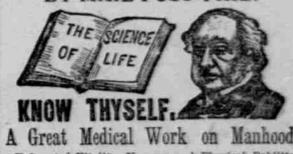
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